

THE CAPITAL.

April Statement of the National Debt.

Slight Reduction Since the March Exhibit.

A Bill Introduced in the Senate to Reduce the Rate of Interest on the Debt.

The Report of the Reconstruction Committee Shingled with Amendments.

Passage of the Post Office Appropriation Bill in the Senate.

No Compensation for Officeholders Until Confirmed.

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WASHINGTON, May 2, 1866.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

The following is a statement of the public debt of the United States on the 1st of May, 1866:

BORROWING COIN INTEREST.

Five per cent. bonds..... \$198,241,100

Six per cent. bonds of 1867 and 1868..... 13,323,551

Six per cent. bonds 1881..... 283,744,150

Six per cent. 5-20 bonds..... 585,784,000

Total debt bearing coin interest..... \$1,186,092,841

DEBT BEARING CURRENCY INTEREST.

Six per cent. bonds..... \$6,634,000

Temporary loan..... 131,497,553

Certified bank notes..... 1,000,000

One and two year old five percent notes..... 6,056,420

Three year compound interest notes..... 167,012,141

Three year seven-thirty notes..... 816,512,650

Total debt bearing currency interest..... \$1,188,313,544

Matured debt not presented for payment..... 1,000,000

DEBT BEARING NO INTEREST.

United States notes..... \$415,164,518

Fractional currency..... 28,192,017

Gold certificates of deposit..... 6,056,420

Total debt bearing no interest..... \$482,392,955

Total debt..... \$2,827,076,871

AMOUNT IN TREASURY.

Coin..... \$76,676,407

Currency..... 61,319,621

Total in Treasury..... \$157,995,028

Amount of debt less cash in Treasury..... \$2,659,689,542

The foregoing is a correct statement of the public debt as appears from the books and Treasurer's returns in the Department on the 1st of May, 1866.

HUGH McCULLOCH, Secretary of the Treasury.

RECONSTRUCTION—PREPARATION OF THE RADICALS.

Senator Dixon to-day introduced to the Senate a joint resolution on the subject of the return of the Southern States to a voice in the legislation of the country. The basis of readmission by his theory is loyalty and submission to the constitutional test. Senator Fessenden took slight umbrage at the accompanying remarks of Mr. Dixon, and made some explanation of the protracted intellectual labors of the Reconstruction Committee in bringing forth so diminutive a creation, and from all that has been said and heard on the subject, so very unsatisfactory. The Senator was opposed to an expression of opinion on the question beforehand, and thought the fitting time would be when it came before the body. It is evident the committee feel deeply chagrined at the disappointment generally manifested at the results of the long time spent in deliberating and determining upon the best measures, in their opinion, to be adopted to meet the matter of reconstruction. Mr. Dixon, who is an ardent supporter of the President, received a dash from Mr. Grimes, who characterized the resolution as the "antagonistic proposition from the White House as opposed to the plan of the Reconstruction Committee." The discussion was quite animated, and displayed more of the vindictive spirit than has yet been shown by the radicals. Sumner on the same subject showed some signs of caving in, and indeed his words conveyed the impression of a hearty disapprobation, or at least disappointment, at the propositions offered by the Reconstruction Committee. In order to treat the master as dutifully as possible he remarked that he did not consider Congress able to decide the question now. Doubtless the Senator feels a breeze in the background, as he alluded quite pathetically to popular influence, the will of the great mass of the American people, and the like. The Senator has shown but little deference to this potential power of late. He now suddenly hails in his career and calls upon Congress to pay some attention to the wishes of the people. This has all the more force coming as it does from a representative of Massachusetts! That Stevens' late treacherous and Sumner's trepidation will doubtless beg their followers sufficiently to lead to some further indications of wavering. Several of the boldest radicals have been quite mute since yesterday.

STANTON'S SUPPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

In opposition to the report of the Reconstruction Committee, he has led to considerable talk in the higher political circles. There is quite a diversity of opinion as to its durability in its present form.

THE POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION BILL.

Together with Mr. Trumbull's amendment pruning the President's appointing power, passed the Senate to day.

DEPARTURE OF THE ARMY BILL IN THE HOUSE.

The Army bill reported to the House by Mr. Schenck, Chairman of the Military Committee, after a labored discussion of some days, met its death to-day by a vote of nearly three to one. There were two main objections to the bill—the Veteran Reserve corps and the negro question. The latter was offensive to those who have opposed all legislation advancing the negro, and the former objectionable to a number who, as they express it, believe in a regular army of efficient and able-bodied officers and men. The combination of these two opposing parties was sufficient to defeat the bill. The Senate bill, which does not provide for the Veteran Reserve corps, it is now understood will be taken up in a few days, and there is no doubt about its passage, possibly with some immaterial amendments. The failure of Schenck's bill has called forth great satisfaction among military men.

FARRAND.

An order has been issued by the President granting pardons to eleven persons from Louisiana, six from Alabama, three from Arkansas, one from Georgia, and one from Virginia—all of which were special cases under the first and thirteenth exceptions of the proclamation of amnesty.

RECEIPTS FROM INTERNAL REVENUE.

The following are the receipts at the Internal Revenue Office from State corporations for April, 1866:

\$10,010

Banks, dividends and surplus..... 131,924

Insurance companies, dividends and surplus..... 144,770

Railroads, dividends and surplus and interest on bonds..... 188,158

Canals..... 46,785

Turpikes..... 1,765

Total..... \$1,028,343

TRIAL OF CIVILIANS BY MILITARY COURTS.

A general order has just been issued from the War Department in relation to trials by military courts and commissions, stating that—

"Whereas some military commanders are embarrassed by doubts as to the operation of the proclamation of the President dated the 22d day of April, 1866, upon trials by courts martial and military offences, to determine such doubts. It is ordered by the President that he commands that they are to be tried where civil tribunals are in existence to try them. Their cases are not authorized to be and will not be brought before military courts martial or commissions, but will be committed to the proper trial by military tribunals as provided for under the sixteenth article of war, or to courts martial and military commissions, as provided by the acts of Congress above cited will be continued to be tried and punished by military tribunals as prescribed by the rules and articles of war."

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